

**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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In re Application of: : Docket: ACM 2975 P1US  
Conrardus H. J. Theeuwen, et al. :  
: Group Art Unit: 4174  
Serial No.: 10/537,199 :  
: Examiner: Yolanda L. Kelly  
Int'l Application No.: PCT/EP2003/13682 :  
Int'l Filing Date: December 1, 2003 : Confirmation Number: 3168  
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For: USE OF CARBOXYMETHYL CELLULOSE :  
(CMC) IN FRUIT-BASED PRODUCTS :  
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Sir:

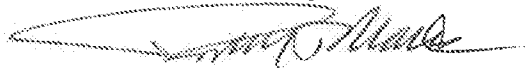
Transmitted herewith is a responsive document(s) for this application.

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- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of:
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Respectfully submitted,



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